# Stressful Events

In the PRAMS survey, the following statement prefaces the next series of questions:

"Pregnancy can be a difficult time for some women. These next questions are about things that may have happened before and during your most recent pregnancy."

#### Prams asks:

This question is about things that may have happened during the 12 months before you new baby was born. Q. 34

Responses include 13 topics

- The most common stressful events experienced by over 15% of women during the 12 months before their delivery were:
  - Arguing with husband or partner (36%)
  - Moved to a new address (35%)
  - Family member hospitalized (31%)
  - Couldn't pay bills (26%)
  - Close friend/family member died (26%)

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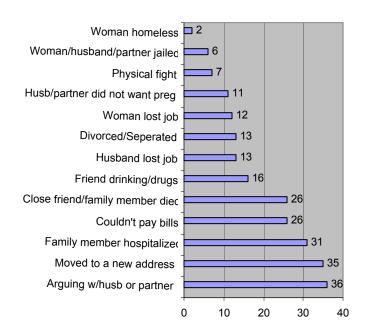
During the 12 months before you got pregnant, did your husband or partner push, hit, slap, kick, choke or physically hurt you in any other way? Q. 35a.

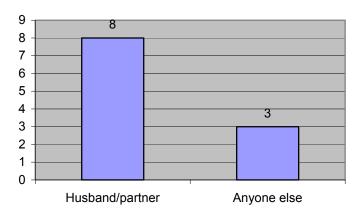
8% of women reported physical abuse by their husband or partner before pregnancy.

#### PRAMS asks:

During the 12 months before you got pregnant, did anyone else physically hurt you in any way? Q. 35b.

3% of women reported physical abuse by someone other than the husband/partner before pregnancy.





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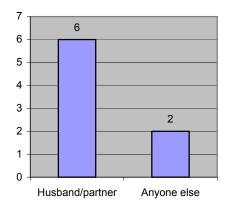
During your most recent pregnancy, did your husband or partner push, hit, slap, kick, choke, or physically hurt you in any other way? Q. 36a.

➤ 6% of women reported physical abuse by their husband/partner during pregnancy.

## PRAMS asks:

During your most recent pregnancy, did anyone else physically hurt you in any way? Q. 36b.

2% of women reported physical abuse by someone other than their husband/partner during pregnancy.



Special Note: Missing Data

Question 35a. –1% Question 35b. –1%

Question 36a. –2%

Question 36b. –2%

Question 34-See Appendix D